

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 1028

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LCO No. 4128



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: (JUD)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE TOLLING OF THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR A NEGLIGENCE ACTION BROUGHT BY A MINOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 52-584 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2015, and
- 3 applicable to all cases pending on and cases filed on or after said date):
- 4 (a) No action to recover damages for injury to the person, or to real
- or personal property, caused by negligence, or by reckless or wanton
- 6 misconduct, or by malpractice of a physician, surgeon, dentist,
- 7 podiatrist, chiropractor, hospital or sanatorium, shall be brought but
- 8 within two years from the date when the injury is first sustained or
- 9 discovered or in the exercise of reasonable care should have been
- discovered, and except that no such action may be brought more than
- 11 three years from the date of the act or omission complained of, except
- 12 that a counterclaim may be interposed in any such action any time
- 13 before the pleadings in such action are finally closed.
- 14 (b) Notwithstanding the time limitation to bring an action under

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- 15 subsection (a) of this section, if a person entitled to bring such an action, other than for the recovery of real property or a penalty or 16 forfeiture, is unable to bring such action because such person is under 17 eighteen years of age on the date the cause of action accrued, such 18 19 person may bring such action within one year from the date such
- 20 person attains eighteen years of age, except that no such action may be
- brought more than eight years from the date of the act or omission 21
- 22 complained of.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015, and applicable to all cases pending on and cases filed on or after said date	52-584

## Statement of Purpose:

To extend the statute of limitations for an injured minor to bring a negligence action to one year after the minor attains the age of majority.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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